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FOLLOWING REPEAT LUSAKA 1977 ACTIONSECSTATE INFO NAIROBI
AND USUN NEW YORK DATED JUNE 2, 1978.

QUOTE: C O N F I D E N T I A L LUSAKA 1977

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PORG WA ZA

SUBJ: NAMIBIA: UN ASSISTANCE TO SWAPO

REF: STATE 129692, LUSAKA 1949

1. EMBASSY OFFICER MET WITH WORLD FOOD PROGRAM (WFP)
OFFICIAL WHO GAVE THE FOLLOWING RUN-DOWN ON WFP ASSISTANCE
TO SWAPO IN ZAMBIA. ALL ASSISTANCE CURRENTLY GOES TO THE
SWAPO SETTLEMENT AT NYANGO (THE FARM), AND THE INTENT IS
THAT IT BE USED FOR NON-MILITARY PURPOSES. THE WFP HAS
ALSO AGREED TO PROVIDE SOME HELP TO THE UN INSTITUTE FOR
NAMIBIA, BUT NO ACTION HAS YET BEEN TAKEN. ON AN ANNUAL
BASIS, FOOD PRODUCTS (MAIZE MEAL, BEANS, DRIED FISH, DRIED
MILK) VALUED AT APPROXIMATELY \$250,000 HAVE BEEN SENT TO
THE FARM.

2. THE WFP OFFICIAL SAID THE AGREEMENT WITH SWAPO REQUIRES
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ACCESS TO THE SETTLEMENT, BUT NO ONE HAS YET VISITED,
DUE AT LEAST IN PART TO THE FACT THAT UNTIL RECENTLY
THE WFP PRESENCE HERE HAS ONLY CONSISTED OF ONE
VOLUNTEER WORKER. THE WFP OFFICIAL SAID THAT BASED
ON RECENT DISCUSSIONS WITH SWAPO, HE IS UNDER THE
IMPRESSION THAT A VISIT BY HIM WILL BE APPROVED.
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